

James Goodrich, Director of the Wyoming State Fair, was recently named the Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs (RMAF) Fair Manager of the Year at their recent convention in Great Falls, Montana.

Goodrich has been the Director of the Wyoming State Fair since 2007 and has made significant contributions to the Wyoming State Fair and grounds. As Director, he spearheaded and managed the 100th Wyoming State Fair celebration and has overseen several projects to improve the quality of the Wyoming State Fairgrounds. .

“With a level headed approach and a wealth of knowledge, his unique style has helped the Wyoming State Fair and Rodeo move forward in significant and positive ways,” said Jason Fearneyhough, Director of the Wyoming Department of Agriculture. “He not only had the momentous task of managing the biggest and most involved Wyoming State Fair during the 100th celebration, but he has successfully maintained the momentum and excitement in the following years. Along with this, under his management, the grounds continue to improve for the Wyoming State Fair and Rodeo as well as the numerous off season events that utilize our amazing grounds.”

The Fair Manager of the Year award is given to any active Fair Manager who has been involved with their fair for a minimum of five years and has made outstanding contributions to their fair and community. The Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs’ purpose is to promote fairs and similar events throughout our membership area and to provide a platform to unite fairs and events with exceptional and unique entertainment for public enjoyment. The Rocky Mountain region includes Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming and Canadian provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

The Wyoming State Fair is a showcase of Wyoming agriculture and industries. Stationed in Douglas, Wyoming since 1905, the State Fair also represents Wyoming heritage and culture with a focus on education, competition, and entertainment for all ages. The Wyoming State Fair also host events throughout the year on the grounds.

